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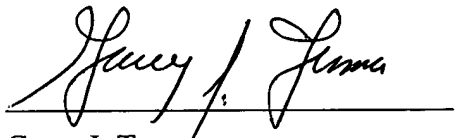
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.85, applicants herewith furnish four (4) sheets of formal drawings to be substituted for the four (4) sheets of informal drawings originally filed with the above-identified patent application.

Respectfully submitted,



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